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Clippings from the Knickerbocker.

*An Anti-Mexican Judge.*—"During the summer of '39," writes a south-western correspondent, "I do not mistake the year, I was present at a court held at Pascagoula Mississippi, (a favorite resort

DEATH OF JOHN L. STEPHENS, Esq.—The New York papers announce the decease of John L. Stephens, Esq., the eminent traveller which occurred at his father's residence in that city, on Tuesday, the

Central America, have justly earned for him the reputation of one of the most intelligent observers and delightful writers in the language, and they are popular in England as they are at home. The profits of his publication have been scarcely surpassed by any other American writings. Mr. Stephens was forty-seven years of age. He was the son of Benjamin Stephens, Esq., a wealthy merchant, now nearly 80 years of age. Mr. Stephens himself had accumulated a large fortune, derived partly from his works but mainly from various successful enterprises in which he had engaged. He was President of the Panama Railroad Company, and his death was caused by a fever contracted on the Isthmus during a late visit. He will be mourned by many personal friends and by the country at large, as one of the most eminent citizens.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT FROM MARSHFIELD.—LETTER FROM MR. WEBSTER.—We learn that Mr. Blatchford, of this city, a personal friend of Mr. Webster of long standing, and of great celebrity in the history of pipe-laying, has just arrived from Marshfield, the country residence of the great statesman, and given out that he has in "his breeches-pockets" a letter, not written, but signed by Daniel Webster in which he recommends his friend

This very important letter has been procured from Mr. Webster during one of those lucid & painful intervals which have marked the very serious illness with which he has been afflicted during the last few weeks. Mr. Webster has refused, and still refuses, to support or countenance

the election of Gen. Scott—a military man—as principle of dangerous consequences to the republic; but, at the earnest solicitation of his personal friends, and to soothe his pillow—during what he believed to be his last illness—he has consented to put his name to a letter written by certain parties congregated at Marshfield for that purpose. These entreaties—these solicitations—have increased his illness, and will probably hasten his departure.

THE STATE ELECTION.—The election for State senator and representatives has closed here without any excitement or party issues. The State

is as unanimous for Piers and King, that we had the complete calm which necessarily results from the absence of all opposition. The worthy whigs who were candidates were freely voted for, no one objected to their politics, and it being understood that all that they might do would be in the best

that while they might do good service in the legislature, they could do no harm in the presidential election. Upon the whole, we have seldom seen so much general indifference about an election. Our usual vote, when there is no contest, is from twenty to twenty-eight hundred. In the pre-

ent election it falls short of the average by three hundred votes. In a hot contest, our city can bring out a thousand more; but some of those we will not say how many, must be put down to the credit of the resurrectionists, by whose magic power dead

men are often made to vote.  
[*Charleston (S. C.) Standard.*]

**PHYSIOLOGICAL FACTS.**—The following physiological facts were translated from a French Sci-

"The average height of a man and woman at birth, is generally sixteen inches. In each of the twelve years after birth, one-twelfth is added to the stature each year. Between the age of twelve and twenty the growth of the body is slower, and it

still further diminished after this, up to twenty-five the period of a maximum growth. In older age the height of the body diminishes on the average about three inches. The height of a woman varies less than that of a man, in different countries. The av-

average weight of a male infant is about seven pounds of a female, about six and a half pounds. The weight of an infant decreases a few days after it birth, till it is a week old. At the end of the first year, the child is three times as heavy as when it

is born. At the age of seven years, it is twice as heavy as when a year old."

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